



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held October 28, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“On October 26, 2003, the Grand Prix fire burned in and around the cities of Claremont and La Verne which resulted in the damage or destruction of sixty-six homes and the evacuation of hundreds of residents.

“On October 26, 2003, pursuant to Chapter 2.68 of the Los Angeles County Code, the Chief Administrative Officer proclaimed the existence of a local emergency as a result of the wildland fire. It is now appropriate for the Board to ratify the proclamation.

“The need for this action arose subsequent to the posting of today’s agenda.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Made a finding pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision (a);

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2. Ratified the attached Proclamation which confirms the existence of a local emergency;
3. Ordered that a copy of the Proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California; and
4. Instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to place on the Board's agenda a review every two weeks of the need to continue the emergency proclamation while emergency restoration actions are being taken.

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Attachment

Copies distributed:

Each Supervisor  
Chief Administrative Officer  
County Counsel  
Administrator, Office of Emergency Management

Letters sent to:

Governor of California  
Director, Governor's Office of Emergency Services

**PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE CHAIR OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH REQUEST FOR A  
STATE DECLARATION**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2.68 of the Los Angeles County Code empowers the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of Los Angeles to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Administrative Officer finds that on October 26, 2003 conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property arose as a result of multiple fires in and around the cities of Claremont and La Verne which are beyond the control of local resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Administrative Officer finds that on October 26, 2003 conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property arose as a result of multiple fires and these conditions necessitated the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in and around the cities of Claremont and La Verne; and

**WHEREAS**, these ongoing conditions warrant and necessitate that the County proclaim the existence of a local emergency;

**WHEREAS**, the County of Los Angeles acknowledges conditions that exist in and around the cities of Claremont and La Verne support their proclamation of a local emergency; and these conditions warrant and necessitate that the County proclaim the existence of a local emergency, and the Board of Supervisors is not in session;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that the Board of Supervisors does ratify and confirm the Chief Administrative Officer's proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in the County of Los Angeles, and that it shall be deemed to continue until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of the proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the State Director of the Office of Emergency Services with the request that he find it acceptable in accordance with State law.

The foregoing proclamation was on the 28th day of October, 2003 adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

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YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE  
CHAIR, Board of Supervisors

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Date

ATTEST: VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS  
Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
LLOYD W. PELLMAN, County Counsel

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy